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SUBJECT:AD HOC GROUP ON EMERGENCY SHARING OF ENRICHED
URANIUM (SERVICES AND NATURAL URANIUM); INFORMAL WORKING
PAPER SUBMITTED BY THE CHAIRMAN.

FOR KRAMISH PLS PASS TO HEGBURG, IEA.

1. STANDING COMMITTEE ON LONG TERM COOPERATION HAS
GIVEN A REVISED MANDATE TO THE AD HOC GROUP WHICH IS TO:

A. RESTRICT STUDY TO NEAR-TERM IMPACT ON SUPPLIES FOR
SITUATIONS BEYOND THE CONTROL OF AN INDIVIDUAL COUNTRY,

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B. INVESTIGATE POTENTIAL BENEFIT OF ARRANGEMENTS FOR

EMERGENCY SHARING OF NATIONAL STOCKPILES AND WORKING
INVENTORY STOCKS OF NATURAL URANIUM AND ENRICHED URANIUM,
AND

C. INCLUDE IN THE PLAN CONSIDERATIONS OF A POSSIBLE
IMPACT OF REDUCING ENERGY DEMAND IN ORDER TO INCREASE THE
AVAILABILITY OF URANIUM INVENTORIES.

2. THE MEETING OF 19 FEBRUARY WILL DISCUSS THE REVISED
MANDATE. EACH COUNTRY SHOULD BE PREPARED TO DISCUSS
THEIR VIEWS ON EACH OF THE THREE PARTS OF REVISED
MANDATE, IN ORDER TO ARRIVE AT SOME GENERAL CONCLUSIONS
OR OBSERVATIONS ON EACH PART. THE INTENT WILL BE TO
FOCUS MORE SHARPLY ON THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN LIMITED
EMERGENCIES AND THOSE WHICH ARE SUFFICIENTLY LARGE AS TO
INVOKES ANY AGREED TO INTERNATIONAL SHARING ARRANGEMENTS.
ANY CHANGES BY-----
THE AD HOC GROUP TO THE REVISED MANDATE SHOULD BE BROUGHT
TO THE ATTENTION OF THE SLT ON A TIMELY BASIS.

3. THE CHAIRMAN PROPOSES THAT THE AD HOC GROUP ONLY
DISCUSS IN DETAIL PART "A" OF THE REVISED MANDATE AND
WHAT CAN BE DONE WITHIN EACH COUNTRY TO ESTABLISH A BASE
OF INFORMATION. THE CHAIRMAN FURTHER PROPOSES THAT
PARTS "B" AND "C" BE DISCUSSED AT A SUBSEQUENT MEETING
OF THE GROUP.

THE WORDING OF PART "A" IMPLIES THAT THERE WILL BE
SITUATIONS OF AN EMERGENCY NATURE THAT ARE WITHIN THE
CAPABILITY OF A COUNTRY TO RESPOND WITHOUT NEED FOR
INTERNATIONAL SHARING SITUATIONS. THE SEARCH WILL BE
FOR A TRIGGER MECHANISM BEYOND THE RESPONSE CAPABILITY
WHICH WILL INVOLVE CONSIDERATION OF PARTS "B" AND "C".

4. THE CHAIRMAN RECOGNIZES THAT A CATASTROPHIC SITUATION
REGARDING A SUPPLIER OF EITHER ENRICHMENT SERVICES OR
NATURAL URANIUM TODAY CAN, BECAUSE OF LIMITED SOURCES
OF SUPPLY, AFFECT MORE THAN ONE USER COUNTRY AND THUS
HAS MULTINATIONAL EFFECTS. THE PROBABILITY OF AN ADVERSE
EVENT EXPERIENCED BY A SINGLE SUPPLIER CAUSING CATASTRO-
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PHIC CONSEQUENCES WILL REDUCE WHEN AND IF THE SUPPLIER
BASE (FACILITIES AND LOCATIONS) IS BROADENED.

ON A RELATED MATTER, IT IS NOTED THAT THE SLT HAS
INCLUDED WITHIN THE MANDATE OF THE SUBGROUP ON ENRICHED
URANIUM SUPPLY THE PERIODIC REVIEWS OF EACH COUNTRY'S
NATIONAL STOCKPILE PLANS AND COMMERCIAL WORKING STOCKS.

5. IN ORDER TO HELP STIMULATE DISCUSSION ON PART "A",
THE CHAIRMAN OFFERS THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS. IS

EMERGENCY SHARING NEEDED NOW OR IS IT MORE OF A PROBLEM
WHEN THE AMOUNT OF NUCLEAR POWER BECOMES A SIGNIFICANT
FRACTION OF AN INDIVIDUAL COUNTRY'S TOTAL ELECTRICAL
POWER? SHOULD INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION BE SUBJECT ONLY
TO A CATASTROPHIC TYPE OF INCIDENT OR A CUMULATION OF
EMERGENCIES WHICH ARE WELL BEYOND THE ABILITY OF A COUNTRY
TO RESPOND WITHIN ITS NATIONAL STOCKPILE GOALS, OR SHOULD
THE EMERGENCY SHARING PLAN BE LIMITED TO THOSE EMERGENCIES
WHICH ARE UNABLE TO BE ABSORBED WITHIN THE PLANNING DONE
BY EACH INDIVIDUAL COUNTRY? SHOULD THERE BE A REQUIREMENT
THAT EACH PARTICIPANT IN INTERNATIONAL SHARING HOLD A
NATIONAL STOCKPILE OR AN EQUIVALENT TO MEET LIMITED
EMERGENCIES? SHOULD THERE BE IN THIS CASE SOME UNDER-
STANDING OR CRITERIA FOR NATIONAL STOCKPILES FOR LIMITED
EMERGENCIES WHICH WOULD NOT QUALIFY UNDER INTERNATIONAL
SHARING? SHOULD THERE BE A FORMULA, BASED ON A COUNTRY'S
DEMAND, FOR A NATIONAL STOCKPILE? IS THIS NECESSARY FOR
DEFINING A TRIGGER MECHANISM FOR ANY INTERNATIONAL COOPERA-
TION DURING AN EMERGENCY? WHAT ROLE SHOULD WORKING STOCKS
WITHIN A COUNTRY TAKE IN MEETING AN EMERGENCY SITUATION?
SHOULD THERE BE A CRITERIA ON REBUILDING THE DEPLETION
OF A NATIONAL STOCKPILE RESULTING FROM A LIMITED EMERGENCY?
IN LIGHT OF THE ABOVE, WHAT ARE EXAMPLES OF EMERGENCY
SITUATIONS WHICH SHOULD BE CONSIDERED IN AN INTERNATIONAL
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